

## ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Happenings of the Day in Various Parts of the Nation's Capital.

Several hundred veterans of the Spanish-American war enjoyed the big smoker and campfire staged by John Jacob Astor Camp, No. 6, at Costello's Hall, Sixth and G streets northwest, last night. Peter Knottowski presided, assisted by James E. Byrne, G. Criswell, and H. M. Knight.

The veterans enjoyed several patriotic addresses, many witty stories, and the holiday program and repeat provided by the committee on arrangements. A number of distinguished officers of other camps and the national organization were entertained.

### Hold Parish Reception.

The annual parish reception of the Chapel of the Nativity was held last night in the parish house at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Enoch M. Thompson, assisted by Mrs. Thompson, received the members of the parish and their friends.

The Men's Association of the Chapel of the Nativity was in charge of the exercises.

### Reports Auto Theft.

Alvin W. Chapin has reported to the police that a five-passenger Ford touring car was stolen from in front of 930 Pennsylvania avenue.

The car is black, and has license D. C. 45238. It has a brass lock on three inches long on the steering wheel.

### Congressman Nolan to Speak.

Congressman Nolan of California will be the speaker at the regular meeting of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, 1626 Rhode Island avenue.

Friends of the league are invited.

### Suffrage Meeting Saturday.

The regular meeting of the Kate Gordon Chapter of the Southern States Woman's Suffrage Conference will be held Saturday night at the headquarters of the National Woman's Suffrage Association, 1626 Rhode Island avenue.

### Mission Class Subject.

"The Living Christ for Latin America" will be the subject for the study of a mission class at the New York avenue Presbyterian Church this evening at 7:30.

The study will be under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society. The class will be conducted by delegates to the recent national class of B. Carter Millikin, foreign secretary of the Presbyterian Church in America.

### To Give Oyster Supper.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Army and Navy Veterans, U. S. A., will give an oyster, cake, and coffee supper at the Pythian Temple tonight for the entertainment of George Washington Post, No. 1.

The installation of officers of the post and auxiliary will be a feature. The national paymaster of the veterans will perform this function.

### Parent-Teachers' Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Johnson-Powell Parent-Teachers' Association will be held in the kindergarten room of the Powell School at 8 o'clock this evening.

Mrs. J. P. Hornaday, the president, has urged a full attendance.

### Photographic Society to Meet.

The Federal Photographic Society of Washington will meet Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the New National Museum.

A lecture on "Photographic Optics," illustrated with slides will be made by Carl Oswald.

The board of directors will meet at 7:30 the same evening.

### Junior Republic Inaugural.

Citizens of the National Junior Republic have sent out invitations for the inauguration of the President and Vice President Thursday, January 4, at 3 p. m.

Judge Walter J. Dawkins, of the supreme bench, of Baltimore city, will deliver an address.

### Junior League Plans Dance.

The Junior League is making final arrangements for the dance to be given George Washington's Birthday, February 22, at old Masonic Temple.

Various committees have been appointed. Proceeds will go to tuberculosis sufferers in Denver, Colo.

### To Attend Installation.

Gen. H. Oden Lake will be present at the annual installation of officers of the President's Own Garrison, No. 104, Army and Navy Union of the United States, tonight at the Grand Army Hall.

General Lake will confer a special honor on a member of the organization that will be a surprise to the comrades.

### Children's Eyes

Eye weakness often develops at an early age. Parents should bring their children to our Dr. Baker for free examination.

Glasses, if needed, will be correctly fitted at lowest cost. Pay 50c a week if you wish.

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## TO DEMONSTRATE EARNING

Cranch-Tyler Home and School Association to See Methods.

O. H. Benson, of the Department of Agriculture, will lecture on "Educating Young People for Life," before a meeting of the Cranch-Tyler Home and School Association, Thursday evening at the Tyler School, Eleventh and G streets southeast.

Mr. Benson is in charge of the canning clubs throughout the United States organized under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture. He will explain methods of canning fruit and vegetables. There will be an election of officers for the coming term.

## HOW TO TELL AGE OF DRESSED POULTRY

Department of Agriculture Gives Few Simple Tests for Housekeeper's Safety.

Did you ever order a chicken for the Sunday dinner, when there was to be company at the meal, and then, when the smoking and browned fowl was brought to the table, have it turn out to be a tough-old rooster, with hardened sinews like unto cords of steel?

The Department of Agriculture has issued a booklet, which tells in simple language a few easy tests for the housekeeper who wants to be sure the bird she will cook is young, or old. If it is old, more cooking is needed.

In a freshly killed bird, the booklet states, the feet are moist, soft and limber, and if dressed with the head on, the eyes are bright and full. As it becomes stale the eyes shrink and the feet dry and harden. The flesh should be neither flabby nor stiff, but should give evenly and gently when pressed by the finger. It is sometimes very difficult to tell between a freshly killed bird and a cold storage fowl, when the cold storage chicken is put in storage correctly.

### Common Test.

One of the commonest ways of testing the age of dressed poultry is to take the end of the breast bone farthest from the head between the fingers and attempt to bend it to one side.

If it is a very young chicken, or a green goose, it will be easily bent, like the cartilage in the human ear. In a bird a year or so old, it will be brittle, and in an old bird, tough and hard to bend or break. Sometimes, states the booklet, there are tricky dealers who will break the breast bone and thus render the test impossible.

If the feet are left on a carcass they furnish another way of judging the age of the fowl. In a young bird they are soft and smooth, becoming harder as the bird grows older. The claws are short and sharp in a young bird, and become longer, rustier, and blunt as age advances.

### Spurs Guide to Age.

Spurs usually appear on male chickens. On male broilers and tender roasting chickens they are small; on older ones, they are prominent but flexible; in cocks they are long and attached to the bones of the legs, and on capons they seldom develop until the second year.

Turkeys a year old are said to have black feet, which grow pink up to twelve years of age, and then gradually turn gray and dull. The age of pigeons can sometimes be told by the color of the breast, which becomes more and more purplish as the bird grows older.

In ducks and geese the flexibility of the windpipe is a mark of youth. It can easily be squeezed when the bird is young, but later grows rigid and fixed. If the tips of the quills at the end of the wings are sharply pointed, the bird probably is young. The blunter they are, the older the bird.

## TO ADDRESS CITIZENS' BODY.

Prof. Robert L. Haycock, supervising principal of the Third public school division, will deliver an address on "Public Schools and School Facilities" at the monthly meeting of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association in Post-office Hall, Park road, west of Fourteenth street, tonight. Members will be given application blanks tonight to enlist friends in the campaign to increase the association's membership to 1,000.

## ST. JOHN'S PLANS FOR CENTENNIAL

Fashionable Church to Celebrate Hundredth Anniversary of Founding.

Celebration of the centennial of the establishment of St. John's Episcopal Church, at Sixteenth and H streets, will begin Sunday and will include an entire week of special services. Addresses will be made by President Wilson, Bishop Harding, Bishop Leonard, of Ohio, and other prominent clergymen and laymen.

St. John's is one of the most famous Episcopal churches in the country. It has had a long list of distinguished clergymen as its rectors and its membership has included several presidents, numerous Cabinet officers, army and navy officials, members of Congress, foreign diplomats and well-known leaders in national life. Mrs. Wilson, the wife of the President, has been a member of the church for a number of years and is one of its regular communicants.

The rector, the Rev. Dr. Roland Cotton Smith, and his assistants, the Rev. Edward S. Dunlap and the Rev. George W. Smith, have prepared an elaborate program.

An important feature will be the musical program prepared by Choir-master H. H. Freeman.

The first service will be held next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock when Dr. Smith will preach a sermon in which he will tell the story of the formation and the growth of the church. There will be daily services in the church during the week. Saturday special services will be held at 3 p. m. when the principal speaker will be President Wilson. Rear Admiral Stockton, president of George Washington University, will also speak at this service.

Sunday, January 14, Bishop Leonard, of Ohio, a former rector of the church, will preach at the morning service and in the evening at 7:30 the Rev. Dr. George William Douglas, of New York, also a former rector, will occupy the pulpit.

The musical programs to be furnished by the choir at the various services will include special solos by Milo Atkinson, Richard Allen, Paul Blayden, and Arthur C. Gorbach. A string orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Anton Kaspar, will supplement the organ.

## TO ANSWER ART QUERIES

Lectures to Be Given This Month by Society Announced.

"Why worry with art?" "How shall I furnish an artistic home?"

These are two questions that will be answered in the month's lectures of the Washington Society of Fine Arts.

H. Granville Barker will talk on the first named subject January 24, at 8:15 o'clock, at the new National Museum auditorium.

"The How and Why of an Artistic Home" will be discussed January 12 by Frank Alvah Parsons at 11 o'clock in the morning, at the auditorium of Woodward & Lothrop's.

"The Social Aspect of Art" will be the topic of an evening lecture at the new National Museum by Mr. Parsons on the same day. Mr. Parsons is director of the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts.

On January 8, at the Museum, Nicholas Douy, with Miss Mary E. MacElree as accompanist, will give a lecture recital of French songs.

## MUST MAKE FARMING PAY

Will Keep Boys on Farm and Cut Living Cost, Says Vrooman.

You can keep them on the farm, and easily at that, by making farming profitable.

This is the view of Carl Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, not original, he says, but nevertheless true.

"A popular magazine," Mr. Vrooman says, "sent letters to the various Congressmen and Senators, asking what, in their opinion, would help most to keep the boys on the farm. One Senator, noted for his terseness, replied: 'Make farming profitable, by—'"

"If the business men of the country will adopt as their motto 'Leave the farmer a margin of profit,' more will be done to increase production and reduce the high cost of living, and to induce the boy or the girl to remain on the farm, than by any other way."

## NEWS OF ROCKVILLE

Hugh O'Donnell, Dog Tax Collector, Breaks District Record.

According to the report of Hugh O'Donnell, dog tax collector for the Wheaton district, of this county, there are 600 dogs of various kinds in Wheaton district. The number is just seventy-two less than there were before Mr. O'Donnell began the work of collecting the taxes, for he was required to kill seventy-two because their owners refused to pay the tax. Collector O'Donnell turned over to the county treasurer \$740, which was the largest amount of dog taxes ever collected in a district of the county.

## 'FINEST' CLAIM PALM IN HEALTH CONTEST

Capital Policemen Insist Their Record Beats That of Firemen.

"Washington's finest" are peeved. A recent story in a New York paper stated that firemen are considerably healthier than policemen. Exception to the statement is taken by Washington police.

The policemen take delight in refuting the skeptical report by the superintendent, recently published. The report states that a perfect health record, with not a single day lost, is credited to 232 members of the force of a total of 718.

The total amount of time lost by members of the police force because of sickness and injury was 8,811 days, which cost the department \$27,932.43. The aggregate amount of salary paid to policemen was \$897,760.72, so that 3.1 per cent of the total amount of money that salaries cost the department was expended because of sickness.

During the year, there were 58 men who exceeded 30 days' sick leave. Sixty-five men lost from 21 to 30 days, and 141 lost from 11 to 20 days. From 1 to 10 days was lost by 219 men.

### Firemen Patrol Doctors.

Physicians and being visited by them. There were 1,375 office visits by the firemen, and doctors made 627 house visits. Out of 190 applicants examined, only 29 were accepted.

A large number of firemen received treatment, but were not on sick report. This is attributed to the fact that a fireman practically lives at the engine house and the chances against his having to work steadily, as does the policeman, are minimized. A fireman may be as ill as the policeman who is excused from duty, and yet be forced to remain at the engine house.

One man is always left on duty at an engine house when the apparatus is at a fire, and the man who is somewhat under the weather usually remains behind. Then, too, the individual fireman may retire at any time during the day, but the policeman must "keep on the job." There were 308 firemen under treatment who were not on the sick report, and only 173 were admitted to sick report.

### Kept Well By Exercise.

That the outdoor exercise that the policeman is forced to take is responsible for a less number of minor ailments than the fireman is heir to, is the belief of the board of police and fire surgeons.

A campaign was begun in the Police Department to keep the men in better physical condition, and to this is attributed the improved health of the department members.

Every time a policeman and a fireman meet, there is certain to be a discussion of the health of the individual member as well as the health of the entire department.

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## REPORT DETAILS TURK ATROCITIES

Neutral Agent Horrified on Journey Through Armenian Encampments.

Further details of the alleged atrocities being committed by the Turkish government against Armenian and Syrian subjects have been communicated to societies and organizations in this city interested in relief work in behalf of these unfortunates.

A report submitted by a prominent neutral agent, whose identity is withheld for obvious reasons, has been forwarded to the local organizations by Dr. James L. Barton, of New York, chairman of the American relief committee.

### Impression of Horror.

"It is impossible to give an account," says the report, "of the impression of horror which my journey across the Armenian encampments scattered all along the Euphrates has given me, especially those on the right bank between Meskene and Der-esor."

"The management, which has been entrusted to transport these people through the desert, has no intention of feeding them. Even it appears to be a governmental principle to allow them to die of hunger."

### Counted as Lucky.

"Those rare individuals who have succeeded in saving from the flood some cloth for tents and a little money to procure some flour, if they can find it, are to be counted as lucky persons."

The report expresses the belief that 4,000 Armenians are kept in vile cantonments within the narrow strip between Meskene and Euphrates, where they beg for bread and die of dysentery and other loathsome diseases.

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## Kann's Daily Bulletin

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75c	59c
\$1.00	81c
\$1.50	\$1.21
\$2 and \$2.25	\$1.69

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39c	33c
50c	42c
75c	59c
\$1.00	81c

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Regularly	In this sale
50c	39c
75c	59c
\$1.00	81c
\$1.50	\$1.21
\$2.00 and \$2.25	\$1.69

CORSET COVERS	
Regularly	In this sale
25c	21c
39c	33c
50c	42c
75c	59c
\$1.00	81c

PETTICOATS	
Regularly	In this sale
50c	42c
75c	59c
\$1.00	81c
\$1.50	\$1.21
\$2.00 and \$2.25	\$1.69

COMBINATIONS	
Regularly	In this sale
50c	39c
75c	59c
\$1.00	81c
\$1.50	\$1.21
\$2.00 and \$2.25	\$1.69

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